

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Board of Accountancy



Meeting Minutes Friday, August 1, 2014

The District of Columbia Board of Accountancy held its scheduled monthly meeting on Friday, August 1st, 2014 at 1100 4th Street, SW 3rd Floor, Conference Room 300, Washington, DC.

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Robert Todero at 9:02 AM.

Board Members Present: Robert Todero, Mohamad Yusuff, Abdool Akhran

Board Members Absent: Joseph Drew **Legal Advisor to the Board:** Kia Winston **Staff Present:** Daniel Burton, Clifford Cooks

Members of the Public: Paul Thrasher, GWSCPA, Kari Bedell, GWSCPA

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Agenda Items: Comments from Public

• Kari Bedell of the Greater Washington Society of CPAs (GWSCPA) presented a letter addressed to the Board of Accountancy that outlined a number of items that the society felt it could help the Board of Accountancy with. These items included community outreach in order to help increase accounting student exam participation in DC, providing current information regarding licensing on the GWSCPA website and working with the Board to improve services being offered by the DCRA contractor Pearson VUE. Mr. Clifford Cooks, Program Manager of the Occupational and Professional Licensing Division, stated that any feedback regarding contracted services of the District government should be directed to the division staff. Ms. Bedell continued in that GWSCPA would continue to provide the Board of Accountancy with the feedback obtained in customer satisfaction surveys given by the GWSCPA, and that there were opportunities for Board participation at events and meetings in the area.

Agenda Items: Minutes

 A draft of the minutes of the meeting held on June 27, 2014 was reviewed. Upon motion made by Board member Mr. Yusuff, and seconded by Board member Mr. Akhran; the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the meeting as written.

Agenda Items: Old Business

• The Board continued its discussion about the upcoming NASBA Annual Meeting. Representatives from NASBA have communicated to the Board that there isn't necessarily a need for a "key note" speaker to address the conference; the person would be more of an honorary to open the event. Mr. Clifford Cooks stated that the most appropriate person to invite would be Mayor Gray. A letter will be sent inviting the Mayor to participate in the event. There is also a reception held at the end of the conference; the Board staff will assist in surveying appropriate venues for the appropriate amount of space and costs.

Agenda Items: New Business

• No items were discussed under new business.

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Agenda Item: Correspondence

No correspondence questions were reviewed during this meeting.

Agenda Item: Executive Session

• Pursuant to § 2-575(4)(a), (9) and (13) the Board unanimously voted to enter executive session at 9:28 AM to deliberate over the disposition of applications for licensure, review a complaint for possible disciplinary action and to receive legal advice from the Board's counsel. The Board returned to open session at 10:03 AM.

Agenda Items: Applications and Complaints

- Following discussion in executive session. Board member Mr. Akhran made a motion to approve the applications for licensure of William Foale, Sean Cummins and Yoshito Nomura. The motion was seconded by Board member Mr. Yusuff, and passed by a unanimous vote of the Board.
- Following discussion in executive session, Board member Mr. Yusuff made a motion to deny the application of Michael Macarthur for failure to meet the educational requirements for licensure set forth in the D.C. Municipal Regulations.
- Following discussion in executive session, Board member Mr. Yusuff made a motion to accept the voluntary surrender of the license of Robert P. Mild, and to enter the final order in the matter.

Agenda Item: Next Meeting:

- The Board of Accountancy's next meeting is scheduled for Friday, 5 September 2014 beginning at 9:00 AM.
- The Board discussed forming a committee to examine statutory provisions with its legal counsel. The date of this committee meeting is yet to be determined.

Adjournment:

Upon motion duly made by Board member Mr. Yusuff and seconded by Board member Mr. Akhran, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 10:09 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Todero, Chair

Date